

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

no copy in the first book Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Beinn Bhreagh, Victoria County, Cape Breton, N. S. (July 3, 1897) My darling:

I wonder how you are getting along. I hope it is not very hot and that you had a good sleep in the cars. I did not telegraph Miss McCowen because I did not believe you would turn back now even if she said she preferred the "filthy lucre." But I shall remember this and next time keep at you until the last moment to keep not to go. I wish I had not been so sleepy last night and had insisted on you coming to bed, for the last night's sleep in a cool atmosphere would have been of great benefit.

Well, when this reaches you you will have forgotten all this and will be hard at work. I am hoping the hot spell will have left Milwaukee when you get there.

I staid quite a while in Crescent Grove looking after things, and then called on Mrs. Kennan and then on Lina. Then I went back to interview the plumber about Mr. Matheson and it seemed such a shame not to try and make Grace's parlor pretty when she was taking so much trouble about the house that I went in town and bought some new wall-paper and curtains. Then I returned, had dinner with Lina and came home. Bessie staid here, and I decided not to go to the Club as it was too hard to leave your Father all alone day and evening. Accordingly we three played croholite until now I am writing you. Your Father seems well, but he is not yet as young as usual.

So Daisy and Elsie have escaped you! I am glad they were spared the temptation of going to Chicago, but sorry you did not see them. I do appreciate what a brave and noble thing it is in you to go down now and I love and admire you and will take good care of your Father.

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Lovingly ever yours,